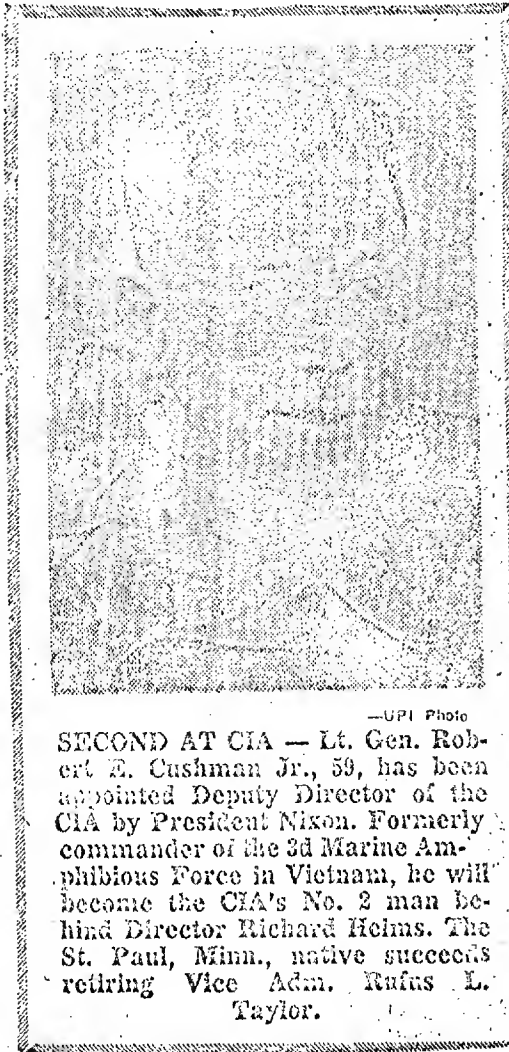


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**SECOND AT CIA** — Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman Jr., 59, has been appointed Deputy Director of the CIA by President Nixon. Formerly commander of the 3d Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam, he will become the CIA's No. 2 man behind Director Richard Helms. The St. Paul, Minn., native succeeds retiring Vice Adm. Rufus L. Taylor.

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## Deputy Director of C.I.A. Chosen

WASHINGTON, March 6 (UPI) — President Nixon announced today that a marine three-star general was being brought home from Vietnam to become Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Lieut. Gen. Robert E. Cushman Jr., now commander of the 3d Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam, will become No. 2 official of the C.I.A. under its director, Richard Helms. President Nixon asked Mr. Helms to stay on as chief.

General Cushman, 59 years old, will leave his Vietnam post March 26 to take over his new job. The Pentagon announced that he would be succeeded in Vietnam by Lieut. Gen. Herman Nickerson, 45, now Director of Personnel and Deputy Chief of Staff at Marine headquarters in Washington.

General Cushman, a native of St. Paul, Minn., will succeed Vice Adm. Rufus L. Taylor, who retired effective Feb. 1. Traditionally, the top two C.I.A. posts are split between the civilian and the military.

Following graduation from the United States Naval Academy, General Cushman



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General Cushman

saw combat duty in the Pacific during World War II.

Beginning in February, 1957, he served four years as an assistant to Mr. Nixon on national security affairs when Mr. Nixon was Vice President.

Admiral Taylor had served as deputy director since October, 1966.

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## Nixon Concerned At Raids, But Shuns Public Comment

By MURIEL DOBBIN

[Washington Bureau of The Sun]

Washington, March 6—President Nixon was "concerned" but silent today over reports of the continuing North Vietnamese offensive against South Vietnamese cities.

There was no public White House reaction to the latest rocket attack on Saigon or to the threat of Vice President Nguyen Ca Ky that South Vietnam may withdraw from the Paris peace talks if the latest Communist assault continues.

### Response Delay Likely

Ronald Ziegler, presidential press secretary, said that the President was watching the situation in South Vietnam "with concern," but flatly refused to expand that statement.

Melvin R. Laird, Secretary of Defense, is now in Vietnam. It appears likely the "appropriate response," which Mr. Nixon said would be made to North Vietnam if it continued the current offensive, against major cities will be neither decided nor announced until Mr. Laird makes his final recommendations to the White House.

Mr. Ziegler was equally uninformative on whether the president's phrase "major cities" indicated any change in the understanding reached between the United States and North Vietnam last October 31.

### CIA Deputy Named

The warning regarding appropriate response, sounded by the President during his press conference earlier this week, was a "studied statement," said the press secretary, who refused to go any further.

The President announced the nomination of Marine Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman, Jr., as deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency, succeeding Vice Admiral Rufus L. Taylor who retired last month.

General Cushman is now com-



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LT. GEN. ROBERT CUSHMAN  
Named to CIA post

manding the 3d Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam, and during the Eisenhower administration served four years as assistant for national security affairs to Vice President Nixon.

### Rogers Names Aide

William R. Rogers, Secretary of State, appeared at the White House to announce that Nathaniel Samuel, managing partner of a New York domestic and international banking firm, has been nominated as deputy under secretary of state for economic affairs.

Mr. Rogers also disclosed that he plans to announce the nomination for the assistant secretary of state for Latin American affairs Monday, and added that he will hold a news conference within the next 10 days.

The President spent part of the day attending the funeral of his uncle, Dr. Ernest L. Nixon, in State College, Pa. Accompanied by Mrs. Nixon and his secretary, Miss Rose Mary Woods, Mr. Nixon flew by helicopter to the funeral home near the university campus.

# Nixon Gives Former Aide Top CIA Post

By PAUL HEALY

Washington, March 6 (News Bureau)—President Nixon has named Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman Jr., a former aide now serving in Vietnam, to be deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Cushman was nominated to succeed Vice Adm. Rufus L. Tay-

## Presented Women's Awards

Also today Nixon presented the Federal Woman's Award to two native New Yorkers, among others. They were: Mrs. Mary Hughes Budenbach, a cryptologist for the National Security Agency, and Mrs. Esther C. Lawton, assistant director of personnel for the Treasury Department.

The award is given for contributions to the efficiency of the federal career service, for influence on major government programs and for personal qualities of leadership and integrity.

This afternoon, Nixon flew by helicopter to State College, Pa., to attend funeral services for his uncle, Ernest L. Nixon, 85, a retired professor of agriculture at Pennsylvania State University. Accompanying the President were Mrs. Nixon and her secretary, Miss Rose Mary Woods, a longtime friend of the uncle.

## Crowd Greets Nixon

Nixon was greeted by an applauding crowd of about 800 as his chopper touched down on the athletic field at Penn State, eight blocks from the funeral home where services were held.

When he arrived at the home, where he joined his uncle's widow and three grown children, the President was cheered again by several hundred students, many holding cameras.

Two of the President's brothers, Edward and Royald, also attended the services. Nixon returned to the White House after the services.



Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman Jr.  
*Worked for Nixon before*

lor, who retired Feb. 1, in the post that traditionally is filled by the military.

Cushman, 54, will take over as No. 2 man in the CIA April 1. He has been commanding general of the 3d Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam since June, 1967, after serving as deputy commander of the same force.

## Decorated in World War II

A native of St. Paul, Minn., Cushman was graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis and saw combat during World War II at Bougainville, Guam, and Iwo Jima. He was decorated with the Navy Cross and the Bronze Star and Legion of Merit, both with combat "V."

From 1957 to 1961, Cushman served as then Vice President Nixon's assistant for national security affairs. He was promoted to Brigadier General in 1958. He is married to the former Audrey Boyce, of Portsmouth, Va., and they have a daughter, Mrs. Roberta Cauley, and a son, Robert Everton, 3d.